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OUTREACH NEWS

Do you have part of a recorded lecture that would work for high school students? Do you have an idea for a virtual lab for K-12? Do you have cookies? Are you including a broader impacts section for your next grant? Contact our K-12 Outreach Coordinator, Steven Smith (mrsmith@purdue.edu).

The Purdue University Superheroes of Science Podcast is on most podcast players as well as YouTube! Check out some of the latest episodes, https://www.youtube.com/c/SuperheroesofScience.

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http://www.eaps.purdue.edu/
REU SITE AT COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

The REU Site in Earth System Science offers paid summer undergraduate research internships at Colorado State University in the Department of Atmospheric Science hosted by the Earth System Modeling and Education Institute (ESMEI). This is an exciting research opportunity in beautiful Fort Collins, Colorado. Join world-class atmospheric scientists to explore diverse areas of research including cloud microphysics, severe storms and mesoscale meteorology, atmospheric chemistry and air quality, radiation and remote sensing, climate and atmosphere-ocean dynamics, and machine learning and data science.

For 2021, the goal is to host an in-person REU experience, but they are also putting in place plans for a virtual REU experience should that be required in light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Either way, the REU experience will happen in 2021.

During the program, interns will have the opportunity to attend scientific seminars, visit National Scientific Laboratories, and participate in a variety of professional development training (e.g. diversity and inclusion, science communication, applying to graduate school, and much more).

They offer: A 10 week paid internship in various research areas in atmospheric science. ESMEI provides roundtrip airfare, furnished and paid housing, $6000 stipend, and funded travel to a scientific conference.

The online application will ask for the following:

- Statements of your Personal and Academic Experiences
- References: Two letters of recommendation
- Academic Transcripts

Research Areas
The ESMEI summer internship program covers a broad range of research areas, which include, but are not limited to the following:

- Atmospheric chemistry and aerosols
- Atmospheric dynamics
- Climate and climate modeling
- Cloud physics
- Environmental health and air quality
- Land-ocean-atmosphere interactions
- Mesoscale meteorology
- Remote sensing
- Tropical meteorology
- Machine learning and data science
- Societal impacts of weather and climate
- Data assimilation
- Multidisciplinary studies involving weather and/or climate

A successful candidate should:
- be a U.S. citizen
- have completed at least two years of college
- have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- have an interest in learning about climate and weather
- have a major in atmospheric science or a related field such as meteorology, geosciences, chemistry, computer science, earth science, engineering, environmental science, mathematics or physics
- be considering a career in atmospheric science or related field

[See attached flier for more information]

AGI INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR NEW SCHOLARSHIP FOR ADVANCING DIVERSITY IN THE GEOSCIENCE PROFESSION

The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is pleased to announce its new Scholarship for Advancing Diversity in the Geoscience Profession. The scholarship is a one-time $5,000 award supporting geoscience graduate studies by a U.S. citizen or permanent resident who self-identifies as a member of an underrepresented minority (Black, Indigenous, or Person of Color) and is within two semesters of completing a recognized geoscience program.

"The geosciences can thrive only with full participation from all communities, yet research shows that many underrepresented minority students face obstacles in the transition from undergraduate to graduate studies," says AGI Interim Executive Director Sharon Tahirkheli.
“Supporting the next generation of aspiring minority geoscientists has perhaps never been more important.”

The application deadline is February 21, 2021. The scholarship winner will be notified in April 2021. To learn more, see https://www.americangeosciences.org/workforce/agi-scholarship-advancing-diversity-geoscience-profession. If you have questions, please contact AGI Geoscience Profession and Higher Education Director Christopher Keane at keane@americangeosciences.org.

About AGI
The American Geosciences Institute (AGI), a federation of scientific and professional associations representing over a quarter-million geoscientists, is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to serving the geoscience community and addressing the needs of society. AGI headquarters are in Alexandria, Virginia.

GRADUATE STUDIES IN EARTH SCIENCES
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA DULUTH

Assistantships Available – Fall 2021.
Undergraduates interested in graduate school are encouraged to apply before January 5th, 2021. The application process is outlined here: https://scse.d.umn.edu/about/departments-and-programs/earth-environmental-sciences-department/graduate-programs/application

[See flier for information]

PNNL POSITIONS IN ENVIRONMENTAL RADIATION DETECTION

Pacific Northwest National Laboratory is searching for Research Associates at the postdoctoral and post-masters level to be part of a multidisciplinary team making quantitative environmental measurements in ultra-low background systems, particularly aimed at radiometric age-dating. The endeavors span from the production mechanisms in the environment to the quantitative measurements in the laboratory, and the development of all the systems that are required. The work will primarily focus on the production of naturally occurring noble gas radioisotopes, collection and separation of noble gas samples, and the radiometric measurements. Tritium and carbon age-dating are also a focus. The positions will involve significant hands-on work with low-background radiation detectors (germanium detectors, gas proportional counters, and liquid scintillators), sample collections and preparation (e.g. noble gas processing from whole air, noble gas purification, electrolytic enrichment of water samples for tritium measurements), and the fundamental development of radiation detectors and gas separations systems.

Candidates from diverse backgrounds, such as nuclear engineering, environmental sciences, and nuclear/particle physics are encouraged to apply. Experience with noble gas detectors with an understanding of the challenges associated with low-background techniques are beneficial. As well as sample processing and measurement for stable isotope geochronology.

The positions can be found at http://jobs.pnnl.gov/. Job IDs: 311134, 311135, 311172, 311174

CIMMS POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATE WARN-ON-FORECAST PREDICTION USING MACHINE LEARNING

The Cooperative Institute for Mesoscale Meteorological Studies (CIMMS) at The University of Oklahoma seeks to fill a Post-Doctoral Research Associate position for its collaborative research as a Cooperative Institute with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR) National Severe Storms Laboratory (NSSL). The Post-Doctoral Research Associate will participate in NSSL’s Warn-on-Forecast (WoF) research program.

CIMMS in collaboration with NSSL is funded to develop and demonstrate a convection-allowing ensemble prediction system to improve warnings and forecasts of thunderstorm hazards. Increasing severe thunderstorm, flash flood, and tornado warning lead times is a key NOAA strategic mission goal designed to mitigate weather impacts on life, property, and the economy.
Machine learning (ML) has proven an effective tool for post-processing convection-allowing ensemble output to produce probabilistic forecasts of individual thunderstorm hazards. ML models have already been developed for the prototype WoF System (WoFS) that is run annually in real-time during the warm season. As a CIMMS Post-Doctoral Research Associate working with NSSL, you will continue the development of WoFS-based ML models and interpretability tools for predicting severe weather. While you will need to be primarily self-directed, you will work closely with other members of NSSL’s Warn-on-Forecast team.

[See attached flier for additional information]

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**CIMMS REAL-TIME MODELING RESEARCH FELLOW**

The Cooperative Institute for Mesoscale Meteorological Studies (CIMMS) at the University of Oklahoma (OU) is currently seeking a Half-Time (0.5FTE) Research Fellow to oversee and maintain real-time model forecast systems for NOAA’s National Severe Storms Laboratory (NSSL). Specifically, these systems include, (1) the NSSL-WRF, which is a permanent experimental modeling framework providing storm-scale guidance to the Storm Prediction Center (SPC) and serving as a testing ground developing storm-scale model diagnostics, (2) the NSSL-FV3, a limited area version of the Finite Volume Cubed Sphere model, which NOAA has selected as the dynamics core for its Unified Forecasting System initiative, and (3) the Warn-on-Forecast System (WoFS), a rapidly updating, convection-allowing ensemble being developed by NSSL to extend hazardous weather warning lead times and provide probabilistic forecast guidance within the watch-to-warning (i.e., 0.5 – 6-h) time frame. The NSSL-WRF and NSSL-FV3 are run daily on Jet, a NOAA High-Performance Computing (HPC) cluster, while WoFS is an on-demand system run internally at NSSL when significant severe weather is expected. However, the incumbent would lead implementation of WoFS on Jet. All job duties may be performed remotely.

[For additional information see attached flier]

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**ACCUEWEATHER METEOROLOGIST**

AccuWeather has an opening for a Meteorologist in their forecasting department that they want to fill by the beginning of 2021. Any recent graduates or those who are graduating in December who are looking for an operational meteorology position, please consider applying. We are looking for candidates with strong meteorological knowledge, excellent communication skills, an upbeat and positive personality, and a track record of being a leader.

The online application can be found here: [https://corporate.accuweather.com/company/careers/](https://corporate.accuweather.com/company/careers/).

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**EAPS OUTREACH COMMITTEE LOOKING FOR YOUR HELP**

Are you interested in science communication? Be involved in the Purdue Kids Science Degree program!

Send a 3-5 minute video explaining one science concept of any topic for Kindergarten to 5th grade students.

For more information contact lchavesm@purdue.edu

[See flier attached]

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**SULI ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR 2021 TERM**

DOE’s Science Undergraduate Laboratory Internships (SULI) Program is now accepting applications for the 2021 Summer Term: [https://science.osti.gov/wdts/suli](https://science.osti.gov/wdts/suli). Applications are due January 12, 2021.

SULI encourages undergraduate students and recent graduates to pursue science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) careers by providing research experiences at DOE laboratories. Selected students participate as interns appointed at one of 17 participating DOE laboratories/facilities. They perform research, under the guidance of laboratory staff scientists or engineers, on projects supporting the DOE mission.
The SULI program is sponsored and managed by the DOE Office of Science’s, Office of Workforce Development for Teachers and Scientists (WDTS) in collaboration with the DOE laboratories/facilities.

Frequently asked questions: https://science.osti.gov/wdts/suli/Frequently-Asked-Questions
How to apply: https://science.osti.gov/wdts/suli/How-to-Apply

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCE GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP

The Department of Energy Computational Science Graduate Fellowship provides up to four years of financial support for students pursuing doctoral degrees in fields that use high-performance computing to solve complex problems in science and engineering. The program also funds doctoral candidates in applied mathematics, statistics, or computer science who undertake research that will contribute to more effective use of emerging high-performance systems. Complete details and a listing of applicable research areas can be found on the DOE CSGF website.

Open to senior undergraduates and students in their first year of doctoral study.
www.krellinst.org/csgf

Applications Due: January 13, 2021
[See attached flier for additional information]

JAMES CORONES AWARD ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS

The James Corones Award in Leadership, Community Building and Communication recognizes the impact of mid-career scientists and engineers on their chosen fields across a range of areas.

PRIZE: A cash award of $2,000 and an engraved gift.
For nomination procedures, deadlines and more information, including how to donate to the award fund, please visit: https://www.krellinst.org/about-krell/corones-award

[See attached flier for additional information]

CIMMS RESEARCH SCIENTIST AT THE STORM PREDICTION CENTER

The Cooperative Institute for Mesoscale Meteorological Studies (CIMMS) at The University of Oklahoma (OU) is currently looking for a Research Scientist to work with the NOAA/NWS Storm Prediction Center (SPC). This position will be located at the SPC in Norman, OK, which is housed within the National Weather Center (NWC), a highly collaborative operational, research, and academic environment containing a number of NOAA and OU organizations. Here you will work directly with development meteorologists and operational forecasters at the SPC and will have opportunities to interact with NOAA and academic scientists within the NWS, NOAA’s Satellite and Information Service (NESDIS), and the broader meteorological community. As a CIMMS Research Scientist working with SPC, you will provide scientific and meteorological expertise, along with leadership, satellite expertise, and technical support for the Satellite Proving Ground effort in Norman, OK.

[See attached flier for additional information]

AMERICAN METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY (AMS) GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS AND UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

The American Meteorological Society (AMS) administers an array of graduate fellowships and undergraduate scholarships with the support of its members, corporations, and government agencies nationwide. The fellowships and scholarships range from $1,000 to $25,000 and help further the education of outstanding graduate and undergraduate students pursuing a career in the atmospheric and related oceanic or hydrologic sciences.

Applications for the 2021 AMS Scholarships and Fellowships are now open! https://www.ametsoc.org/index.cfm/ams/information-for/students/ams-scholarships-and-fellowships/

[See attached flier for additional information]
MS AND PHD EAPS STUDENTS BROADEN YOUR GRAD EXPERIENCE

For those MS and PhD students in EAPS that would like to broaden their graduate experiences while at Purdue, EAPS is affiliated with the Computational Interdisciplinary Graduate Programs (CIGP) at Purdue. While working toward a graduate degree in EAPS, graduate students can also have a concentration (specialization) in the area of Computational Science and Engineering (CSE).

For more information see: https://www.purdue.edu/gradschool/cigp/index.html

A short video about the CIGP/CSE program can be found at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8qo9ykKtduQ

EAPS GRAD STUDENT RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in an EAPS grad research opportunity, go to the following updated link for information: https://www.eaps.purdue.edu/for_students/graduate/grad-research-opp.html

POSTDOCTORAL APPOINTEE REGIONAL SCALE CLIMATE MODELING

This post-doctoral appointment in the Environmental Science Division of the Argonne National Laboratory will involve methodological and applied research in regional scale climate modeling. In particular, the focus will be on high-resolution dynamic downscaling, hydrological modeling, impacts and assessments. For this position, we are looking for applicants with experience in regional scale models of hydrology, (e.g. WRF-Hydro). Expertise in working with large datasets on high-performance computing resources is required.

Please use the following link to directly apply: https://bit.ly/32RrPkE

Applications will be considered as they arrive and with a likely start date in October 2020. This will be a two-year position. The successful applicant will be required to provide 3 letters of reference and university transcripts.

For complete information go to link: https://bit.ly/32RrPkE

PRE-DOCTORAL APPOINTEE

This pre-doctoral appointment in the Environmental Science Division of the Argonne National Laboratory will involve providing technical support to scientific staff for methodological and applied research in atmospheric science in projects related to aerosol-cloud interactions and regional scale climate modeling. For this position, we are looking for applicants with experience in the analysis of large weather/atmospheric datasets, running atmospheric models and analysis of the model output.

For complete information go to link: https://bit.ly/3bEOEtz8

CIMMS PETER LAMB POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

The Cooperative Institute for Mesoscale Meteorological Studies (CIMMS) at the University of Oklahoma has established the Peter Lamb Postdoctoral Fellowship that is offered annually. CIMMS is a research organization that promotes collaborative research between National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and University of Oklahoma (OU) scientists on problems of mutual interest. This collaborative basic and applied research includes the study of mesoscale and storm-scale meteorological phenomena to help produce better forecasts and warnings that save lives and property and the investigation of the societal impacts of such phenomena. Research scientists within CIMMS use observations, analysis and models to improve the understanding and prediction of high-impact weather elements and systems ranging in size from cloud nuclei to multi-state areas.
Applications must include a 3-4 page novel proposal developed by the applicant that addresses at least one of the CIMMS research themes: 1) weather radar research and development; 2) storm-scale and mesoscale modeling research and development; 3) forecast improvements research and development; 4) impacts of climate change related to extreme weather events; and 5) societal and socioeconomic impacts of high-impact weather systems. Applicants are highly encouraged to contact a CIMMS scientist to receive guidance when drafting a research proposal. The CIMMS website [http://cimms.ou.edu/index.php/research](http://cimms.ou.edu/index.php/research) has more information on projects underway within these research themes as well as contact information for CIMMS scientists working on these themes.

Terms of appointment are for one (1) year, renewable for a second year subject to satisfactory performance. An annual salary of $60,000 and a research budget of up to $5,000 per year is included in the award, along with a modest relocation stipend. Successful applicants must have obtained a Ph.D. within the last five years; proof of a Ph.D. is required before assuming the post-doctoral position, but those in the final stages of Ph.D. dissertation completion are encouraged to apply provided a finish date before July 31, 2021 is anticipated.

Applicants are asked to submit electronically: (1) a curriculum vitae; (2) a list of all products (e.g., papers, patents, technology transfers, licensed software, etc.) generated over the course of their career; (3) a cover letter which includes the expected start date and any non-standard resources that might be needed to complete the proposed work; (4) a brief proposal (no more than 4 pages, double-spaced, excluding the list of references and figures) describing the work to be pursued during a 2-year tenure at CIMMS; and (5) a list of three references. In addition, applicants should request that their referees directly send their reference letters to CIMMS at the email address listed below.

[See Attached flier for more information]
disability, genetic information and/or other characteristics protected by applicable law in any phase of its education or employment programs or activities.

NOAA HOLLINGS UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

The 2021 Ernest F. Hollings Undergraduate Scholarship application period is now open — apply today!
Link: https://www.noaa.gov/office-education/hollings-scholarship

CLIMATE AND EXTREME WEATHER OPPORTUNITIES

Central Michigan University is currently seeking two Ph.D. students to pursue an opportunity at the climate/weather extreme interface at the Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences. These positions are supported by two grant funded four-year research assistantships as part of a project to further our understanding the processes that lead to severe convection around the globe and the links of these phenomena to a changing climate.

This project is all about the connection of scales, and working with large reanalysis and climate model datasets to explore favorable environmental conditions and our ability to resolve these environments. This position would suit students with either an interest in the impacts of climate change on extremes, or a more fundamental interest into the links between processes that lead to favorable severe storm environments and larger scales. In either direction, an interest in statistics and large datasets is a plus.

Start date for the position is flexible, with a start anywhere between Fall 2020 and 2021. Ideally, the applicants would have an M.S. in meteorology, atmospheric sciences, environmental data science or climate science, but I would also consider exceptional bachelors level applicants.

If you would like more information or know of interested parties please feel free to send an email to me, John T. Allen (allen4jt@cmich.edu).

Details about our group at CMU can be found at the following link: http://people.cst.cmich.edu/allen4jt/Allen_home_page.html

FACULTY TRAINING FOR BRIGHTSPACE

Workshops held via WebEx, each designed to help faculty and staff become acquainted with Brightspace. Workshops are:

Brightspace Drop-in Help Sessions: Session is designed for instructors to ask questions and get help in an open-lab environment.

Brightspace Deep Dives: Sessions that take an in-depth look at specific topics and features in Brightspace.

Brightspace Basics: A flipped workshop where attendees are invited to review the workshop materials in advance and join the session to ask questions and seek demonstrations. Content will cover organizing your course content, creating assignments and quizzes, setting up your gradebook, and other commonly asked about topics. This session combines what was previously Brightspace Essentials and Brightspace Gradebook.

For more information and how to register for a workshop go to the following link: https://www.purdue.edu/brightspace/Workshops.php

CALL THE PROTECT PURDUE HEALTH CENTER IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19

If you are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19, all Purdue students, faculty members and staff should immediately contact the Protect Purdue Health Center.

http://www.eaps.purdue.edu/
Center 24/7 at 765-496-INFO (4636) or toll-free at 833-571-1043 and pressing option “1.” A call tree option will be available after hours to connect individuals to the Protect Purdue Health Center case manager as well as the option to leave a voicemail. Individuals experiencing an emergency should always call 911. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provides a list of symptoms here.

OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDENTS

Student Support Services
Fall 2020 Updates

Here in the Office of the Dean of Students - Student Support Services we are continuing to make adjustments to our processes in order to ensure all of our services remain available to students and in a way that we are doing our part to Protect Purdue. We are here to help students succeed and feel supported. Below is a brief overview of some of the services we provide in our office and how students can access them at this time.

Office Information
• New Hours of Operation: Monday through Friday, 8:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-5:00pm.
• As part of our effort to Protect Purdue, we will have limited staff in our office at 207 Schleman Hall. Students are encouraged to call or email to discuss concerns or schedule an appointment for a phone call or video meeting.
• While students are encouraged to call or email to discuss concerns or schedule an appointment for a phone call or video meeting, staff will be available to meet in person should a student need to do so during hours of operation.
• Email: odos@purdue.edu
• Phone: 765-494-1747
• Website: https://www.purdue.edu/advocacy/students/

Absence Notifications
• Our office can provide absence notifications for Grief Absence, Military Absence, and Jury Duty.
• To request a notification for these 3 approved absences, students should submit the appropriate request form at https://www.purdue.edu/advocacy/students/absences.html.
• Students may also contact our office with any questions or to make a request.
• Documentation is required to verify these absences.
• For all other types of absence, the student should work with their instructor directly.
• New for fall – approved absence for students on Jury Duty – up to 10 days per semester.
• Grief Absence leave times for students have been increased: up to 5 days within a 2-week period for immediate family and up to 3 days in a 2-week period for all others.

Emergency Loans
• Registered students may borrow up to $1000 at a time and up to $2000 a semester. Summer is its own semester.
• 30 day interest-free loan.
• Obtaining an emergency loan is currently being done through a combination of phone and email communication. Students are encouraged to call ODOS to begin the borrowing process and will no longer be able to complete an application in our office. We will give them everything they need to do the application on their own computers.
• Criteria and additional information can be found at https://www.purdue.edu/advocacy/students/financial/emergencyloan.html

Withdrawal
• ODOS advises students on the process of a complete withdrawal and facilitates the process for students to withdraw from all of their current courses after the start of the semester.
• Our office will encourage students to consult with their academic advisor, financial aid, scholarship advisors, family, 3rd-party payers, housing, ISS and others prior to initiating a withdrawal.
• Withdrawal deadlines and refund information for fall 2020 can be found at https://www.purdue.edu/registrar/documents/calendars/dropAddDeadlines/schedReviseCal_Fall.pdf
• Additional withdrawal information can be found at https://www.purdue.edu/advocacy/students/withdrawal.html
General Student Support
• We provide individual one-on-one support to students who may be navigating personal, financial, or academic concerns.
• We connect students to campus and community resources that can provide them with support specific to their needs.
• We can maintain continued communication and support with the student based upon their individual needs.
• Information shared with our office is protected by FERPA and we strive to maintain privacy; however, we are not a confidential resource and have reporting responsibilities in certain situations.
• The student can email (odos@purdue.edu) or call (765-494-1747) our office to get connected with a Student Support Specialist. Together the student and Student Support Specialist determine the preferred method to meet whether it will be by phone or video meeting.

Student of Concern
• If you have concerns for a student – including students being impacted by COVID (directly or indirectly) – submitting a Student of Concern Report (www.purdue.edu/studentconcernform) will prompt outreach from a member of the Office of the Dean of Students.

Quarantine / Isolation
• If you hear of a student that has been advised by the PPHC or other medical personnel to quarantine or self-isolate, please instruct them to e-mail odos@purdue.edu as soon as possible. We will then follow up with them to offer support, send out an absence notification on their behalf and connect them to an Academic Case Manager.

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT THIS NEWSLETTER
This newsletter is used as the primary information source for current and upcoming events, announcements, awards, grant opportunities, and other happenings in our department and around campus. Active links to additional information will be provided as needed. Individual email announcements will no longer be sent unless the content is time-sensitive. We will continue to include our publications, presentations and other recent news items as well.

Those using paper copies of the newsletter should go to our newsletter archive on the EAPS website at http://www.eaps.purdue.edu/news/newsletters.html and Click on News to access active links as needed. Material for inclusion in the newsletter should be submitted to Katherine Huseman (khuseman@purdue.edu) by 5:00pm on Thursday of each week for inclusion in the Monday issue.

If it is in the newsletter, we assume know about it and no other reminders are needed. For answers to common technology questions and the latest updates from the EAPS Technology Support staff, please visit: http://www.eaps.purdue.edu/resources/information_technology/index.htm.

Also, as an additional resource for information about departmental events, seminars, etc., see our departmental calendar at http://www.EAPS.purdue.edu/events-calendar.html.

http://www.eaps.purdue.edu/
ESMEI offers paid summer undergraduate research internships at Colorado State University in the Department of Atmospheric Science. Interns participate in a 10 week program from late May through July. This is an exciting research opportunity in beautiful Fort Collins, Colorado. Join world-class atmospheric scientists investigating the science of clouds, climate and climate change, weather, and modeling. During our program interns will have the opportunity to attend scientific seminars, visit National Scientific Laboratories, and participate in a variety of professional development training.

For more information and to apply, visit:  http://esmei.colostate.edu/reu.html

Application deadline: February 5, 2021

Contact:  Dr. Melissa A. Burt, melissa.burt@colostate.edu

*REU: Research Experiences for Undergraduates program funded by the National Science Foundation.
Graduate Studies in Earth Sciences

University of Minnesota Duluth

Assistantships Available - Fall 2021
Research Emphases
- Planetary Geology & Remote Sensing
- Tectonics & Structural Geology
- Glacial Geology and Geomorphology
- Climate Change & Paleoclimateology
- Igneous & Metamorphic Petrology
- Lakes & Limnology
- Sedimentology & Stratigraphy
- Hydrogeology
- Geochemistry
- Basin Analysis & Modeling
- Forest & Vadose Hydrology
- Seismology & Acoustic Geophysics
- Fluvial Geomorphology
- Hydrothermal biogeochemistry

Affiliations
Large Lakes Observatory (www.scse.d.umn.edu/large-lakes-observatory)
Natural Resources Research Institute (www.nrri.umn.edu)
Water Resources Science Graduate Program (www.wrs.umn.edu)
Research Positions
Ultra-Low Background Radiation Detection

The Detection Physics (DP) Group within PNNL’s National Security Directorate is seeking one or more highly motivated, capable recent Ph.D. and Masters graduates to work at the intersection of national security, environmental sciences, and nuclear/particle physics instrumentation.

The Research Associate will be part of a multidisciplinary team making quantitative environmental measurements in ultra-low background systems, particularly aimed at radiometric age-dating. The endeavors span from the production mechanisms in the environment to the quantitative measurements in the laboratory, and the development of all the systems that are required. The work will primarily focus on the production of naturally occurring noble gas radioisotopes, collection and separation of noble gas samples, and the radiometric measurements. Tritium and carbon age-dating are also a focus. The positions will involve significant hands-on work with low-background radiation detectors (germanium detectors, gas proportional counters, and liquid scintillators), sample collections and preparation (e.g. noble gas processing from whole air, noble gas purification, electrolytic enrichment of water samples for tritium measurements), and the fundamental development of radiation detectors and gas separations systems.

Opportunities will also be available for the Research Associate to participate in the DP Group’s other applied radiation detection programs.

Applicants from diverse backgrounds, such as nuclear engineering, environmental sciences, and nuclear/particle physics are encouraged to apply. Experience with noble gas detectors with an understanding of the challenges associated with low-background techniques are beneficial. As well as sample processing and measurement for stable isotope geochronology.

A competitive salary and benefits package will be offered. PNNL, located in Richland, WA, is operated and managed by Battelle Memorial Institute for the U.S. Department of Energy.

Job IDs: 311134, 311135, 311172, 311174

About Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

The Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, located in southeastern Washington State, is a U.S. Department of Energy Office of Science laboratory that solves complex problems in energy, national security and the environment, and advances scientific frontiers in the chemical, biological, physical, materials, environmental and computational sciences. The Laboratory employs 5,000 staff members, has a $1 billion annual budget, and has been managed by Ohio-based Battelle since 1965.

For more information about the jobs mentioned here, please contact:

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CIMMS Post-Doctoral Research Associate
Warn-On-Forecast Prediction Using Machine Learning

The Cooperative Institute for Mesoscale Meteorological Studies (CIMMS) at The University of Oklahoma seeks to fill a Post-Doctoral Research Associate position for its collaborative research as a Cooperative Institute with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR) National Severe Storms Laboratory (NSSL). The Post-Doctoral Research Associate will participate in NSSL’s Warn-on-Forecast (WoF) research program.

CIMMS in collaboration with NSSL is funded to develop and demonstrate a convection-allowing ensemble prediction system to improve warnings and forecasts of thunderstorm hazards. Increasing severe thunderstorm, flash flood, and tornado warning lead times is a key NOAA strategic mission goal designed to mitigate weather impacts on life, property, and the economy. Machine learning (ML) has proven an effective tool for post-processing convection-allowing ensemble output to produce probabilistic forecasts of individual thunderstorm hazards. ML models have already been developed for the prototype WoF System (WoFS) that is run annually in real-time during the warm season. As a CIMMS Post-Doctoral Research Associate working with NSSL, you will continue the development of WoFS-based ML models and interpretability tools for predicting severe weather. While you will need to be primarily self-directed, you will work closely with other members of NSSL’s Warn-on-Forecast team.

The principal duties of this position are to:

1. Improve the existing WoFS-based ML prediction system, including implementation of additional ML and interpretability algorithms.
2. Facilitate the transfer of the WoFS-based ML prediction system into operations via collaborations with the National Weather Service and the NOAA Hazardous Weather Testbed.
3. Regularly present work at national conferences and publish in high-quality peer-reviewed journals.

The minimum qualifications for the position are:

1. A PhD in Meteorology or related area (or on target to complete PhD by December 2020)
2. United States citizenship or permanent residency
3. Experience analyzing output from convection allowing models
4. Experience with machine learning in meteorological applications
5. Proficiency with programming languages (preferably Python) and UNIX
6. Ability to work and communicate in a team environment

The beginning salary will be based on qualifications and experience with benefits provided through The University of Oklahoma (https://hr.ou.edu/employees). The start date for the position is negotiable.

To apply for the position, please forward your CV, cover letter, and list of three references to:

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CIMMS Real-Time Modeling Research Fellow

The Cooperative Institute for Mesoscale Meteorological Studies (CIMMS) at the University of Oklahoma (OU) is currently seeking a Half-Time (0.5FTE) Research Fellow to oversee and maintain real-time model forecast systems for NOAA’s National Severe Storms Laboratory (NSSL). Specifically, these systems include, (1) the NSSL-WRF, which is a permanent experimental modeling framework providing storm-scale guidance to the Storm Prediction Center (SPC) and serving as a testing ground developing storm-scale model diagnostics, (2) the NSSL-FV3, a limited area version of the Finite Volume Cubed Sphere model, which NOAA has selected as the dynamics core for its Unified Forecasting System initiative, and (3) the Warn-on-Forecast System (WoFS), a rapidly updating, convection-allowing ensemble being developed by NSSL to extend hazardous weather warning lead times and provide probabilistic forecast guidance within the watch to warning (i.e., 0.5 – 6-h) time frame. The NSSL-WRF and NSSL-FV3 are run daily on Jet, a NOAA High-Performance Computing (HPC) cluster, while WoFS is an on-demand system run internally at NSSL when significant severe weather is expected. However, the incumbent would lead implementation of WoFS on Jet. All job duties may be performed remotely.

The principal duties of this position are:
1. Oversee and maintain the NSSL-WRF and NSSL-FV3 real-time forecast systems on Jet. This involves checking the runs daily to make sure they’ve run successfully, working with Jet administrators when there are problems, and informing NSSL, CIMMS, and SPC staff when there are problems or delays.
2. Occasionally working with CIMMS, NSSL, and SPC staff to facilitate additional experimental model runs for limited time periods, for example, during Hazardous Weather Testbed Spring Forecasting Experiments.
3. Implement WoFS on NOAA’s Jet HPC and clearly document the workflow. Oversee and maintain WoFS on Jet when needed and/or train others for these duties.

The minimum qualifications for the position are:
1. A Master’s Degree in Meteorology, Atmospheric Science, or related area.
2. Expert knowledge and experience conducting weather forecast model simulations on High-Performance Computing clusters.
3. Experience and proficiency running NOAA’s Warn-on-Forecast System.

Excellent coding skills and experience in languages such as Fortran and Python are highly desired, as well as proficiency in shell scripting (e.g., bash, ksh, tcsh, etc.). Excellent oral and written communication skills are also highly desired. Applicants should identify experience with HPC, programming and scripting languages, numerical weather prediction, and graphic design/visualization.

Work can be conducted remotely and working hours depend upon requirements of real-time systems (e.g., late evening hours and/or early morning hours may be required to ensure model runs have started and/or finished. CIMMS staff will provide general supervision with technical oversight provided by NSSL scientific staff and management. The incumbent works under general supervision, but is expected to work independently and determine action to be taken in handling all but unusual situations.

The beginning salary is commensurate with educational background and experience, with OU insurance benefits. Information on OU benefits can be found at https://hr.ou.edu/employees.

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CIMMS Research Scientist at the Storm Prediction Center
Satellite Proving Ground Liaison

The Cooperative Institute for Mesoscale Meteorological Studies (CIMMS) at The University of Oklahoma (OU) is currently looking for a Research Scientist to work with the NOAA/NWS Storm Prediction Center (SPC). This position will be located at the SPC in Norman, OK, which is housed within the National Weather Center (NWC), a highly collaborative operational, research, and academic environment containing a number of NOAA and OU organizations. Here you will work directly with development meteorologists and operational forecasters at the SPC and will have opportunities to interact with NOAA and academic scientists within the NWS, NOAA’s Satellite and Information Service (NESDIS), and the broader meteorological community.

As a CIMMS Research Scientist working with SPC, you will provide scientific and meteorological expertise, along with leadership, satellite expertise, and technical support for the Satellite Proving Ground effort in Norman, OK. More specifically, the list below describes potential projects:

1. Serve as a “Satellite Liaison” at the SPC, leading Satellite Proving Ground efforts on satellite-based hazardous weather products and demonstrating the unique and complementary value of satellite information to forecasters;
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3. Design and execute tests and validation of proposed new satellite-dependent products, decision aids, and best practices for operational forecasters with an emphasis on exploring the value of advanced satellite products for detection and short-term prediction of convective storms and associated hazards;
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8. Lead the NESDIS effort within the HWT by contributing to formal scientific publications and attending off-site conferences, symposia, and hazardous weather-related outreach events;
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10. Other duties as assigned.

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2. United States citizenship or permanent residency.

When applying, please include information related to your experience with satellite meteorology, remote sensing, and associated datasets. Of particular interest is your application of these experiences in software development, web development, graphic design/visualization, and Linux (UNIX) environments, including the AWIPS2/N-AWIPS systems. Lastly, your ability to communicate clearly is crucial to being successful in this position.

Normal working hours will be observed except for occasional irregular hours during data collection, warning/forecast experiments, or workshops conducted at remote locations. Additionally, occasional travel is expected. General supervision will be provided by CIMMS staff with technical oversight provided by SPC management. You will work under general supervision but are expected to work independently and determine action to be taken in handling all but unusual situations. This is a non-supervisory position, although you may serve as a leader of technical teams. Salary is based on your education, experience, skills, and knowledge. Information on University of Oklahoma benefits may be found at [https://hr.ou.edu](https://hr.ou.edu).

Review of applications will begin on **26 October 2020** and continue until the position is filled. To apply, please submit your resume/CV, cover letter, and list of three (3) references to:

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CIMMS Peter Lamb Postdoctoral Fellowship

The Cooperative Institute for Mesoscale Meteorological Studies (CIMMS) at the University of Oklahoma has established the Peter Lamb Postdoctoral Fellowship that is offered annually. CIMMS is a research organization that promotes collaborative research between National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and University of Oklahoma (OU) scientists on problems of mutual interest. This collaborative basic and applied research includes the study of mesoscale and storm-scale meteorological phenomena to help produce better forecasts and warnings that save lives and property and the investigation of the societal impacts of such phenomena. Research scientists within CIMMS use observations, analysis and models to improve the understanding and prediction of high-impact weather elements and systems ranging in size from cloud nuclei to multi-state areas.

Applications must include a 3-4 page novel proposal developed by the applicant that addresses at least one of the CIMMS research themes: 1) weather radar research and development; 2) storm-scale and mesoscale modeling research and development; 3) forecast improvements research and development; 4) impacts of climate change related to extreme weather events; and 5) societal and socioeconomic impacts of high-impact weather systems. Applicants are highly encouraged to contact a CIMMS scientist to receive guidance when drafting a research proposal. The CIMMS website http://cimms.ou.edu/index.php/research has more information on projects underway within these research themes as well as contact information for CIMMS scientists working on these themes.

Terms of appointment are for one (1) year, renewable for a second year subject to satisfactory performance. An annual salary of $60,000 and a research budget of up to $5,000 per year is included in the award, along with a modest relocation stipend. Successful applicants must have obtained a Ph.D. within the last five years; proof of a Ph.D. is required before assuming the post-doctoral position, but those in the final stages of Ph.D. dissertation completion are encouraged to apply provided a finish date before July 31, 2021 is anticipated.

Applicants are asked to submit electronically: (1) a curriculum vitae; (2) a list of all products (e.g., papers, patents, technology transfers, licensed software, etc.) generated over the course of their career; (3) a cover letter which includes the expected start date and any non-standard resources that might be needed to complete the proposed work; (4) a brief proposal (no more than 4 pages, double-spaced, excluding the list of references and figures) describing the work to be pursued during a 2-year tenure at CIMMS; and (5) a list of three references. In addition, applicants should request that their referees directly send their reference letters to CIMMS at the email address listed below.

To receive full consideration, applications and supporting material should be received prior to January 31, 2021. All materials should be sent electronically to:

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